

STATUTES
OF THE
ALPHA-GALATES

A Grand Order of Chivalry

27 December 1937

(Submitted to the Préfecture de Police)

ARTICLE 1.

– There is hereby formed between the adherents of the present statutes a “Grand Order of Chivalry”, under the name ALPHA GALATES.

Its headquarters, known as the Arche Centrale (Central Arch), are situated in Paris (17th arrondissement), at rue Leboutoux 10. Its headquarters can, however, be moved anywhere else by decision of the Governor-General.

Arches can be created in the provinces.

The Order has been founded for an unlimited period.

ARTICLE 2.

– The aim of the Order is to unite its members in mutual and national assistance, to perfect their knowledge, to encourage their aspirations in an aesthetic direction, and to inculcate in them a chivalric ideal based on their willingness to conform to the requirements of honour and to serve on behalf of the Fatherland.

As a consequence the Order will encourage:

1. Study circles and conferences;
2. Recreational, cinematographic and musical gatherings;
3. Meetings devoted to physical education, gymnastics and sport;
4. Institutions such as camping sites, rest homes and dispensaries, with the aim of promoting the health of its members;

5. Works of charity, such as visits to the sick, helping the needy, adopting abandoned children or orphans;

6. The creation of a Popular Secretariat.

ARTICLE 3.

– In order to become a member of the Order a person must:

1. Be over the age of 18;

2. Adhere to the present statutes;

3. Be introduced by two members of the Order;

4. Complete an application form;

5. Provide a certificate of domicile and three ID photographs;

6. Be approved by the Governor-General;

7. Pay an annual subscription varying according to the generosity of the person concerned, but with a minimum of 50 francs.

The members have a choice, when entering the Order, of two categories:

A. "the Legion", entrusted with maintaining the Order's security, looking after its interests and realising its aspirations;

B. "the Phalange", entrusted with the tasks of preserving the store of acquired knowledge, devoting itself to philosophical researches and instructing the future knights of the Order.

ARTICLE 4.

– The Order consists of three subdivisions: the Temple, the City and the Arches.

A. The mission of the Temple is to reward the knights who have faithfully followed the path of the Order, something which will enable a simple member of an Arch to become a high dignitary in the Temple.

B. The Temple is composed of nine degrees, namely:

1	Frère (Brother)	F.	Orangey red
2	Respectable Frère (Respected Brother)	R.F.	Red
3	Très Révérend Frère (Very Reverend Brother)	T.R.F.	Violet
4	Très Honorable Frère (Very Honorable Brother)	T.H.F.	Green
5	Très Vénérable Frère (Very Venerable Brother)	T.V.F.	Indigo
6	Très Illustre Frère (Very Illustrious Brother)	T.I.F.	Yellow
7	Son Excellence Druidique (His Druidic Excellency)	S.E.D.	Blue
8	Son Altesse Druidique (His Druidic Highness)	S.A.D.	White
9	Sa Majesté Druidique (His Druidic Majesty)	S.M.D.	Gold

- C. His Druidic Majesty does not necessarily have to be the Governor-General. His title merely implies a high degree of dignity, not a post.
- D. The mission of the City is to teach the members the doctrines of the Order and to inculcate in them the principles of their task, which activity can be summarised in two terms: Knowledge of the ideal and the Love of fighting for this ideal.
- E. It has three degrees: Neophytes, Disciples and Apostles.
- F. The mission of the Arches is to accomplish the work of mutual assistance within the Order and to disseminate its doctrine. Each Arch is directed by a Governor and six Commanders, namely: a Secretary-General, a Treasurer, a Propaganda Secretary, a Press Secretary, a Security Secretary and a Discipline Secretary.

The members of the Arches are divided into two categories: Knights and Aspirants.

The members of the Arches meet each week at the summons of their respective Governors.

ARTICLE 5.

-A) The Governor-General has absolute authority; he appoints and revokes the membership of the members of the Order. They are answerable only to him.

He exercises regulatory powers, issues decrees and ensures their implementation.

Messengers of the various orders that are issued are accredited to him. He also negotiates and ratifies external agreements

-B) If, for any reason, the Governor-General is prevented from exercising his responsibilities he can designate a member of the Order to replace him.

In the case of non-designation or impediment he will be replaced by a member of the Order to be elected by the Temple by a majority of seven votes.

ARTICLE 6.

– The Temple will meet as a high court of justice when it is entrusted by the Governor-General with the task of judging those of its members, of whatsoever degree, who are accused of having committed offences in the exercise of or with respect to their functions, or of having betrayed the duties entrusted to them, as well as any co-author or accomplice of the members as aforementioned.

A fine can be imposed on the member and, in serious cases, demotion and even expulsion can be required by the High Court.

ARTICLE 7.

– The Order is rigorously closed to Jews and to any member who is recognised as belonging to a Judaeo-Masonic order.

The discussion of any political question within the Order is formally forbidden.

Done at the Central Arch, 27 December 1937.

Pierre de FRANCE.

Governor-General

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PIERRE DE FRANCE-PLANTARD

has declared, at a meeting of the Masters of the Order

The decision whereby the General Assembly entrusted authority to me bears the date 21 September 1942.

Let us now summarise, if you wish, the work that we have accomplished since that time:

And what member would *not* wish to do so?

During these past three months people have been overwhelmed by so many personal worries and have been distracted by so many problems that it has been impossible for them either to be kept regularly informed or for them to keep track of any information that they have come across by chance. Some have even found themselves deprived of any official news, something that has not stopped them from continuing to criticise our actions, even though they do not know what these are. On the other hand many have rightly *taken up arms against the false information and the tendentious rumours about us which are being spread by certain groups*; but these allegations hang over every one of us, and every one of

us is demanding to know the truth and is asking for evidence that they can check the correctness of.

This brief speech to you addresses the preoccupations of every one of us.

It is not a manifesto, but an account of things that we have already done; it is not a programme, but a balance sheet. Too often we have confused our plans - still less, our desires and our dreams - with reality. Too often also we have confused the more or less inconsistent possibilities of the future with the concrete facts of the present, in such a way that we are failing, today when this misjudgement is costing us so very dear, to apply ourselves to maintaining discretion, objectivity and, one might even say, to *silence*.

Let us try and keep calm, for the idle chatterers who are deafening us with their *dangerous propaganda will soon no longer be talking*: adopting this approach will help us regain our composure and master our nerves. But of all those who surround us and of all those traitors who have landed us in our present trouble, who will now show the most zeal for the interests of our Order, as they ultimately conceive of them? Shall we give them our trust, a hundred times scorned? **Let us go therefore! Let us simply leave hanging in the air the chaos caused by their contradictions, and allow their ink to turn yellow with age.**

Here are the facts.

On that day when, via the hands of the Comte Moncharville, the General Assembly entrusted to me the leadership of the Order, my very first action was to ask the Comte himself to draft our statutes and to form up the ranks of our Order by assigning to each person a post equivalent to his true value, then ... information... I did not hesitate to officially declare the formation of the Order, finally I gave a little.... throughout our Order.

Our internal and external security was thus assured.

During this period, French freemasonry, under the aegis of ... torches took wing and rejoined German and English freemasonry, and in so doing created a degree of turbulence that was extremely dangerous for the security of the new order, forming foundations that were extremely favourable for preparing an Anglo-Franco-German alliance in 1918.

People know that we, *the watchful guardians of Christianity are spiritualised*, and that one of our aims is to prevent the reformation of the freemasonries; also a certain newspaper, subject no doubt to *a certain*

Masonic influence, has adjudged us to be dangerous (!) and, in plain language, has announced that our Order was merely "*a reconstituted freemasonry*".

I want Hitler's Germany to know that every obstacle to our own plans does harm to him also, for it is the resistance put up by freemasonry that is undermining German might.

As for the Order, against which everyone is pitting their strength, the effect of the enquiry has been zero, *what happened after the disappearance of Jacques de Molay will no longer hamper our progress, since from now on the Order will be kept in existence by our reliable and able cadres.*

The Alpha, which is present everywhere, has abolished its '1793' through its resurrection of 1937; *the Celtic Order has now been reconstituted, and is already spreading its influence.*

I want these words to send loud and clear to every single person the necessary *warning*, namely that *glimmer of light* that will guide them in their task.

Vaincre, No. 5, 21 January 1943, page 3.

NOTES:

1. The year given as 1918 in the above article could be a misprint for 1938.
2. The translation is incomplete, having a few words missing, owing to the poor quality photocopy of the text next to the binding.